



"GUSTAVO SCLOCCHI" THESIS AWARD

33rd edition – 2026

Announced by **SPE Italian Section** (Society of Petroleum Engineers), **Assorisorse** (the Italian Sustainable Energy & Resources Industry Association) and **EAGE** (European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers):

"Gustavo Sclocchi" Thesis Award dedicated to technical subjects related to **Energy**

WHO CAN APPLY:

Philosophy Doctors and University Graduates in STEM disciplines, **from Italian universities and Italian nationals graduated abroad**, who have completed their studies in the period from October 1st 2024 to December 31st 2025 by submitting a **thesis covering technical subjects related to Energy**. Two categories of Theses are considered:

- A. Master of Science (Laurea Magistrale) theses and Doctor of Philosophy (Dottorato di Ricerca) theses**
- B. 2nd Level Master reports and Bachelor of Science (Laurea) theses**

PRIZE:

The total to be won is €10800. Each thesis will be evaluated on quality indicators (document efficiency and execution) and on performance indicators (usefulness, significance, originality and innovation). The prizes are: The prizes are:

Outstanding: € 2400 and a Certificate – superior quality and exceptional performance.

Excellent: € 1200 and a Certificate – high quality and high performance.

Most Significant: "Special mention Certificate" – high quality or high performance.

AWARD CERIMONY:

The award winners will be invited in person to the Award Ceremony in **May 2026 at Politecnico di Milano, Piazza Leonardo da Vinci (Milano)**, on the occasion of the annual Awards Giving Ceremony organized by SPE and other Associations.

During the gathering, the senior management of the sponsoring Companies will present the awards and the SPE chairman will hand out the awards. Energy-related themes will be debated with the Winners and with University Deans.

REGISTRATION TERMS:

Candidates must fill out the registration form <https://forms.gle/1f7WFLiSMn9MV5TP7> or **scan the QR** by the strict deadline of **February 15th, 2026**.

More details, instructions and deadlines in the next pages and on the website: <http://connect.spe.org/italy/home>. Questions can be addressed to sclocchiaward@gmail.com



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MORE DETAILS...

Documents to be submitted

- *Contact information*: email, mobile number.
- *Theses Degree* (2nd level Master, Bachelor of Science, Master of Science or PhD.) *and Title* (in English and, if suitable, Italian)
- *Document of the date and place of graduation*
- *Abstract or Extended Abstract* of the thesis (strictly following the below Guidelines)
- *Indication of the Dean of the Faculty and assisting professor/s* (full name and e-mail)
- *Complete electronic copy of the thesis*, in English or Italian, (PDF, less than 100 MB).

Abstract / Extended Abstract rules

The evaluation of the Abstract or Extended Abstract is the first go / no go screening.

The document may include figures, tables and charts. The maximum size is 4 pages (1500 words).

There is no minimum size but the document shall provide enough information to enable the Evaluation Committee to make a judgment of the content, value, and impact of the thesis.

The abstract shall be structured with the following paragraphs:

Objectives and Scope: state the objectives of the study sharply and clearly, outline the scope and limitations of your work, and point out aspects that have not been well understood yet, which may require further studies.

Methods, Procedures, Process: state the approach upon which the thesis is based (e.g., field data, laboratory data, original analysis, or computer work) and how the work has been organized.

Results, Observations, Conclusions: provide the major results or findings of the study.

Novel/Additive Information: describe the possible applications or the implications of the knowledge provided in the thesis. State what is new in your study and its importance, and list the most important innovations or technical contributions in your thesis.

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Theses Evaluation

The Evaluation Committee, composed of SPE members and sponsoring Companies' experts, will select the theses to be awarded. The Evaluation Committee decision is final and is not subject to appeal.

Topics

ENERGY TRANSITION AND GREEN ENERGY:

- Renewables: geothermal, solar, wind, ...
- Carbon Management and Neutrality
- Hydrogen applications
- Green Refinery Feedstocks
- Critical Raw Materials, Rare Earth Elements

ECONOMY:

- Energy Economics
- Circular Economy

HYDROCARBONS:

- Exploration
- Production
- Transport

GEOSCIENCE APPLIED TO ENERGY:

- Geology
- Geophysics

Prize and award ceremony

The maximum amount of the prize for both categories is €10800.

Optional awards for running-up theses will consist of a "special mention" Certificate.

Reference to award-winning theses will be published in the «**SPE Bulletin**» of the Italian Section, on **EAGE "First Break"** and on the **Assorisorse website** (www.assorisorse.org). Theses with multiple authors will be rewarded with a single prize.

Winners will receive an invite to the award ceremony in May 2026. BEFORE THE CEREMONY the winners shall provide IBAN, BIC/SWIFT, and current address.